

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claim 1 (currently amended). A device for finishing the ends of concrete posts, piers or columns comprising a ~~first element for attaching to the end of a tubular concrete form, the first element having a smooth transitional surface adjacent to the periphery of the first element, whereby the smooth transitional surface is effective to produce a mating smooth transitional surface at an upper periphery of a concrete post, pier or column cast in the first element and a tubular concrete form to which the first element is attached~~ paper tubular concrete form and an annular first element having a flange extending outwardly for abutment with a top edge of the paper tubular concrete form and a depending member extending into a top end of the paper tubular concrete form, said depending member forming a smooth transitional surface between the inside of the paper tubular concrete form and the first element whereby concrete posts, piers or columns cast in the device are finished with a smooth imprint of said depending member and transitional surface.

Claim 2 (original). The device of claim 1 wherein the first element has a concave transitional surface.

Claim 3 (canceled).

Claim 4. (canceled).

Claim 5 (currently amended). The device of claim ~~4~~ 1 wherein the depending member fits snugly into the paper tubular concrete form.

Claim 6 (canceled).

Claim 7 (currently amended). The device of claim 1 further comprising ~~wherein the device has~~ a second element, the second element being received in the first element and being movable in relation to the first element, whereby the second element is effective to impart a smooth finish to the top of a concrete post, pier or column cast in the device and a the paper tubular concrete form to which the device is attached.

Claim 8 (original). The device of claim 7 wherein the second element has an upwardly extending drive axle located therein.

Claim 9 (currently amended). The device of claim 7 8 wherein the drive axle ~~may be attached~~ is adapted for attachment to a source of rotary motion to impart relative rotating movement between the first element and the second element.

Claim 10 (original). The device of claim 9 wherein the drive axle is removable.

Claim 11 (original). The device of claim 10 wherein an anchor bolt may be received in the second element after the drive axle has been removed.

Claim 12 (original). The device of claim 7 wherein the second element has an outwardly extending flange at a periphery thereof, the outwardly extending flange extending at least partially over the first element.

Claim 13 (original). The device of claim 1 wherein the smooth transitional surface of the first element has a compound shape.

Claims 14-20 (canceled).

Claim 21 (new). The device of claim 1 further comprising shims inserted between the flange of the first element and the top edge of the paper tubular concrete form for leveling the device in the paper tubular concrete form.